



Kentucky Wendell Ford Regional Training Center

Facility and Location

The Wendell H. Ford Regional Training Center in Greenville was officially dedicated to honor Sen. Ford on Oct. 17, 1997. From its beginnings in 1969 as a 29 acre weekend training site, the Ford Training Center has been the premier mechanized infantry and armor maneuver training area east of the Mississippi River, providing effective and cost efficient training facilities for National Guard, Reserve, and Active component units from every branch of service.

Constructed on 11,000 acres of reclaimed strip mine land, the Ford Training Center has complete year round accommodations including barracks and quarters for nearly 500 troops, a 400 seat dining hall, a drill hall, and a modern learning center for computer simulator training. The site also feature live fire ranges, hardened bivouac sites, a controlled humidity storage complex, complete maintenance facilities for military equipment, engagement skills training center, obstacle course and a 4,200 foot grass runway.

In the early 1990s the Kentucky Army National Guard developed a plan for the Western Kentucky Training Site's potential, not only for the National Guard's training program, but for the Army, Marines, Federal Emergency Management Agency, local law enforcement officers, and Boy Scouts.

Media Sampled and Findings

Drinking Water — In 2011, two of two samples detected perchlorate at 0.2 and 0.26 ppb.

Appropriate Actions

Not Applicable. All samples were below the EPA and DoD Preliminary Remediation Goal of 15 ppb.